THE DAY OF PUBLIC THANKSGIVING.

Hearty and universal as has always been the observance of Thanksgiving Day throughout the Free States, we doubt if there has ever been a year when the anniversary was so kept as it will be to-day. The eighty-four thanksgivings that we have celshrated since we became an independent nation have seen us prosperous and poor, at peace and at war, rejoicing in national good fortune, and bewailing na-Monal disaster, but never until to-day has the end spectacle been presented of one section at war with the other, and our dearest liberties assailed by a mighty

host of Rebels and traitors.

But although the great calamity of civil war is spon us, and we are giving our wealth, and pouring out the blood of husbands and children to support the Government, we can still keep our day of thanks. giving with as much fervor as ever before. We give thanks to the great God that when our Government was in peril, and all reemed lost, balf a million loyal men sprang to ar,ns, each with p arm to strike in its defense, each with a breast to Interpose between it and its perjured foes. Thanks that there never was a time when we could better meet the blow if it tavet fall. Thanks that our Selds have been laden with a magnificent harvest.

Thanks that we have enough and to spare for the famishing thousands in Europe, whose only stay and bope we now are. Thanks that our defense of our

Mr. Van Metr, at No. 29 New Bowery, and other institutation of these who oblight in doing good.

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CITY ITEMS.

A THANKSGIVING HYMN. BY PARK BENJAMIN.

O God OF BATTLES! by whose hand, Uplifted to protect the right, Are led the armies of our land, To be triumphant in the fight; Without whose smile, the solem, Night. Which now in shadow vails 11 ne sky, Would never yield to atorning light-Bend down and Lear thy people's cry.

Bend from thy Heaven of Heavens, and see A nation, which had grown so great, That, drawing off their hearts from thee, They worshiped fortune, fame and fate, And called upon thy name too late. Thy righteous anger we deplore; Oh, look upon their hapless state

And be our sure defense, once more. Be thou, who wast our fathers' God, Our own reliance, strength and stay, And let the sacred path they trod Still be their children's chosen way, Illumined by that glorious ray Which guided through the desert drear, A fire at night, a cloud by day, For many a sad, despairing year.

extended public career, not seeking his return to the Chief Magistracy, but consenting to serve if that were the choice of the Empire City. The speaker welcomed every variety of voters to his standard, and created much merriment by giving hyperbolical reasons why they should be accepted.

SPEECH OF MAYOR WOOD.

PERSANDO Wood took the platform, after three

cheers. He had come to asy a lew plain words, in intelligent language—a little common sense. We were all American citizens, without distinction with reference to political privileges—rich and poor alike. He regretted any attempt to continue distinctive mational prejudicer, for he bad always held that a man, once merging his citizenship, merged his nationality. Once a citizen, he was an American, and it was his Once merging his citizensup, mergen his mationality.
Once a citizen, he was an American, and it was his duty to conform to our laws, to sustain our Government, and his right to criticise the acts of our ruless.
In my judgment, Mr. Wood continued, when Government exceeds its legitimate functions, when it work further than to protect property and preserve In my judgment, Mr. Wood continued, when Government acceeds its legitimate functions, when it goes further than to protect property and preserve file and the public peace, it exceeds, cectainly under republican form, what is legitimately delegated to it. [Applause.] As it is the best government that governs the least, so is it the best government that which leaves a man the absolute control of his social existence, his inalienable rights, so long as he does not encroach upon the rights of another man. But when Government steps in, either by the action of the Executive or Legislature, in the construction of stantes, and attempts to dictate to you or me what arrangement shall govern our domestic household, how we shall so down the destroy of the Executive or Legislature, in the despotism of the most tyrannical and odious character. [Applause.] My friends, you have not been permitted to thus exercise the right to which I have referred. Legislation, the power which in this country consider the leave, has directed that they while it is no government, but a despotism of the most tyrannical and odious character. [Applause.] My friends, you have not been permitted to thus exercise the right to which I have referred. Legislation, the power which in this country consider the law, has directed that the late become somewhat engaged this grandmother while the late country consider the law, he adjuncted that they shall become somewhat engaged this grandmother while the late. Thank that when sends and to speed and the speed of the control of the speed of the control of the speed of the control of the speed of the speed of the control of the sp

LOCAL POLITICS.

MORE GUNTHER IMPOSITION.

the Editor of The N. Y. Tribune. Sin: I desire to state that my name has been attached to the call for a Gunther meeting without my knowledge or consent.

Respectfully yours,

WILLIAM A. DARLING.

No. 96 Lexington areane, Nov. 26, 1861. A CARD FROM SUPERVISOR LITTLE,

To the Editor of The N. Y. Tribune. Sin: The frequent disclaimers which I have observed in your paper of persons whose names have been

signed without their consent to a call for a meeting on Friday evening of citizens of the Tweld and Nineteenth Wards in favor of the election of Mr. Or athor to the office of Mayor has

print as indersing Mr. C. G. Gunther for Mayer. As I desire to correct the record, I beg to state that the unauthorized use FLIGHT OF THE RUSSIANS.

mently entitled to receive the support of all who desire mustaling a support of all who desire mustaling reform.

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At a large and enthusiastic meeting of the clitrees of the Third Ward, livespective of party, held at No. 722 Greenwich street, exceeding the First: The renameistion of the power to decree the desired officers. For President of II Koppi Vice-President was elected officers. For President of II Koppi Vice-President and Stockey; Secretaries, S. M. Lecomte and W. McMonisters.

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The following resolution, offered by Mr. S. M. Lecomte, was anomalously adopted:

Exactles; That the name of George Ophyle for Mayor meets with our hearty concurrence and approval, and we hereby piedge ourselves not only to vote for him, but to use all honore the means to our power to sedere his election to the Mayor meets with our hearty concurrence and approval, and we hereby piedge ourselves not only to vote for him, but to use all honore the means to our power to sedere his election to the Mayor meets with our hearty concurrence and approval, and we hereby piedge ourselves not only to vote for him, but to use all honore the means to our power to sedere his election to the Mayor meets with our hearty concurrence and approval, and we hereby piedge ourselves not only to vote for him, but to use all honore the means to our power to sedere his election to the Mayor meets with our hearty concurrence and approval, and we hereby piedge ourselves not only to vote for him, but to use all honore the form of the convention of the entire public debt into three per cents.

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The mostling adjourned to Friday evening, at 7½ o'clock.

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arries worthy of the consideration of putriotic and filterus and, Whereas, it is about time that the pres-nutburt of the Mayoralty clair should be as policily as the circumstances of the case will permit. There-

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February. The effective army will then consist of 280,000 men.

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Gen. Children had tendered his resignation.

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NO COTTON PANIC IN ENGLAND.

Rumored Ministerial Changes in France.

FRESH LEVY FOR TROOPS IN ITALY.

RESIGNATION OF CIALDINI.

A Battle Between Russians and Circassians.

6,000 RUSSIANS KILLED AND WOUNDED.

The Expedition Against Mexico.

HALIFAX, Wednesday, Nov. 27, 1881.

The R. M. steamship Canada, from Liverpool on The R. M. steamship Canada, from Liverpool on the 16th, via Queenstown on the 17th inst., arrived at this port at half-past 7 o'clock this morning.

Her dates are two days later than those already to

she will be due to-morrow (Thursday) evening.

sengers, and will sail for Boston at 19 a. m., where she will be due to-morrow (Thursday) evening.

The seamship City of Baltimore, from New-York, arrived at Liverpool on the 15th inst.

The Canada reports having passed the steamship Africa and Europa and the ship Dake of Richmond.

GREAT BRITAIN.

The Loudon Daily Nees has an editorial generally rebuking Southern sympathists in England, and especially demonaring the writer of a strong year.

Sir James Ferguson, in a letter to The Aper Observer, says that the office he holds constrains him to contradict the seserion that he had acted as a spiral and and approach the session in the letter of the Morthern or Southern States. He traveled solely to inform himself of the momentous questions at issue, and is was not his fault if a New York journalist was incapable of undorstanding that a gentleman could enjoy the confidence of the military commanders on both sides without abusing that of either. The libel in question was the only when the fellow of either he librated or Consederate States.

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Florence Nightingale, in a letter which has found fit was not have been supply, but says that other circumstants have also operated forcibly to such a result. The real cause of the present stagnation is not search, and numerous disasters were reported.

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The monthly returns of the Bank of France show that the decrease in each is nineteen and a half mil-lions france, and the increase in bills discounted

twenty-seven millions. The charge in the Imperial system of finance, as shadowed forth in the Empe-or's letter and M. Fould's programme, received per Bohemian, is not regarded with much importance in

England.

The London Times (city article) says:

"It is not easy to see how the transfer from the Emperor to the people of the task of raising money, will calm uneachess and remove all pretext for hostile measures, when it is certain that the Emperor

pen ?"
In Paris the financial change imparted much firm-

ness to the Bourse, and the Rentes advanced five-eighths per cent on the 15th inst., closing at 69f. 65c.

intermediary of all communications between Min-isters and the Emperor.

The French ships forming the Mexican expedition were expected to assemble at Havana between the 15th and 20th of December.

A levy of 80,000 men was ordered, but it was thought that not more than 50,000 would be obtained, and that another 50,000 would be levied in February. The effective army will then consist of

PORTUGAL

The Council of State had proclaimed the Duke of Oporto King of Portugal. The Ministry is unchanged. Tranquillity prevailed. The Infanta Don Auguste continues dangerously ill.

TWO DAYS LATER FROM EUROPE. time very encouraging, and there was an immensurable rush of miners, &c., from Australia, all the available vessels being devoted to the purpose of conveying them over.

Trade at Melbourne was greatly depressed.

At Bombay, on the 28th of October, Cotton goods and Twist were dult and declining; Exchange, 21 2214.

LATEST—Via Queenstown.

London, Nov. 17.—The Observer states that the British army estimates will be sensibly reduced.

The Brazilian mail has arrived at Lisbon.

Rio de Jankiego, Oct. 25.—Coffee—Sales of good first at 64 600. The stock is 160,000 bags. Cotton is quoted at 9,000 reis.

Pensameuco, Oct. 21.—Sales of Cotton at 10 800.

Paris, Nov. 16.—The Bourse closed heavy to-day at 69f. 45c. for the Rentes.

The new King of Portagal had arrived at Lisbon and had been well received.

The Londor. Gazette publishes the treaty in regard to the combined expedition of England, France, and Sprin. It is signed by Lord John Russell and Signor Isturety and M. Finkeult. It has five arricles. The fourth article says that after the signames to the treaty were made, a copy of it was communicated to the Government of the United States, and that the Ministers of the contracting Powers at Washington are authorized to conclude it separately or collectively with President Linealn.

As delay, however, would jeopardize the success of the expedition, the Commissioners' operations are not to be deferred for obtaining the accession of the United States to the treaty after the forces have assembled in the neighborhood of Vera Cruz.

MAPLES, Nov. 27.—Chiavone is being vigorously pursued by the Italian troops. He is endeavoring unsuccessfully to regain the Papal States.

There was a rumor that the Papal Government

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There was a rumor that the Papal Government was preparing an expedition against Umbria.

Lisnon, loth.—The Duke of Saldanski is serious-

hand.

The Canada brings £10,800 in specie and 39 passengers, and will sail for Boston at 10 a. m., where

ionce that ever attended any literary exercises in the place. The theme of his discourse was the "Duties of Life," and embraced numerous illustrations from history both ancient and modern, enered and profane, enforcing various duties, among them benevolence, patriotism, education, moral courage, mutual relief, self-reliance, usefulness, and obedience to the golden rule, the duty of all duties for nations, as well as individuals. It was applauded throughout very heartily, and especially the allusions to Gen. Anderson, Frement and his Body-Guard, and Fiorence Nightingale, whom he cited as living ex-

can resume his prerogative at any moment he may think fit."

The Daily News says:

"Will the Emperor still be answerable for an abundance of employment when he can no lenger create boundless expenditure by a stroke of his trophy from Fort Walker a bomb-shell, while the strophy from Fort Walker as the strophy fr NEARLY SHELLED OUT .- Recently one of our citizens residing on Madison avenue received as a trophy from Fort Walker a bomb-shell, which he carefully cleansed, as he supposed, and then filling with water left it in the yard. During the day the water leaked out, when it was found that a quantity of powder still remained inside. By some mistake a There were remore of unpending changes among the Metropolis of the settle will not only reflect honor upon the Metropolis of the settle will not only reflect honor upon the Metropolis of the settle will not only reflect honor upon the Metropolis of the settle will not only reflect honor upon the Metropolis of the settle will be shell, when the projectile exploded, destroying the finess the high functionaries in Administration, and that the powers of the several Ministers would be modified, and the Ministry of State reorganized.

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Militarn Notices.

Cavalry.

Headquarers, No. 74 Broadway, Marky York, Nov. 26, 1861.

By ambority from the Wer Department, and the sanction of his Exociency, Gov. Morgan, James B. SWAIN, 1st Cavalry, U.S. A., is now recording for a Regiment of Volunteer Cavairy, to serve for three years or during the wer.

By the kindness of his Excellency Gov. Morgan, and of Quarternsete Arthur, the brick barrank, at the Quarantine Lending, have been autimod as the quarters of the Regiment during its formation.

Lisut. Swain has orders to join the army in the field for active service as soon as the different battalions may be organized.

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The uniforms, equipments, and arms for the Regiment have been provided, and will be served to the men as fast as they are calleted.

Officers having parts of companies recruited will be re-

ceived and organized, on application at these headquarters.

As this is probably the last and only headman of Cavalry that will be organized in this State during the War, those desirous of joining this branch of the service must embrace the opportunity.

In Cavalry, U. S. A., Colonel Commanding.

Bt Cavary, U.S. Ar, woods BATTALION of this spinnish regiment will follow the first, which has left for the mail of war, with dispatch. Retruits will be received at the different tents in the Park, as well as it other recretifications of the Vincensia Quarters, No. 66 Whiteen of this sphenoid regiment will follow the first, which has less for the sold of war, with dispatch. Recruits will be received at the different tents in the Park, as well as at other recruiting stations; also at the Principal Quarters, No. 66 Whitesh, where all deserters who deare to join their regiment may come at ence, or they will be asserted Jeah with. By order, W. MERRITT, Major 2d Satisfies.

Rocket Battailon for the Army of the Potomn.e.—Radied by special desire of Asjactionard McClEi-LAN and Stip, Sen Ba Rivy, Otter of Artillery. These desirence of joining this "Crack Corps" should sply minediately to fleetiquarters, No. 455 Broomest. T. W. LION, Commanding

U. S. Mustering Office. Officer of Valuation should have written authority from their Colonels to send, as a ideage to the U. S. Mustering Officers for transposition of rettle ment of accounts. This written authority about to be indozed by the United States Mustering and Disburst officer.

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